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UTAH BULLETIN NO. UT210-08-01

SUBJECT: INSTALLATION OF AUTOCAD CIVIL 3D

Purpose: To manage the deployment of AutoCAD Civil 3D 2008.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2008

ACTION REQUIRED BY JUNE 13, 2008

In order to resolve current issues regarding the demand for AutoCAD Civil 3D versus access to licenses, both through the Salt Lake network server and the National Purchase licenses served via Kansas City, we are requesting usage information by name and work station location for the users of AutoCAD. Users may include engineers, technicians, and planners or others with an existing AutoCAD installation or a valid need for an installation. This will enable decisions to be made to most effectively manage AutoCAD deployment.

Area Engineers shall list those in their respective areas who use AutoCAD defined by the following criteria:

- a) High use those who require AutoCAD on a daily basis;
- b) Moderate use those who utilize AutoCAD no more than twice weekly;
- c) Low use those who use AutoCAD rarely;
- d) Temporary detailees working in Utah on an intermittent or temporary basis.

For all Temporary Users, please define the expected duration of use along with estimated starting and ending dates.

The deployment strategy is intended to occur as follows: those who are defined as 'high use' will have local (Salt Lake server) versions installed. Those identified as 'moderate use' will have Kansas City server (National Purchase) versions installed. Those identified as 'low use', such as planners or others having an AutoCAD installation but not needing design capabilities will eventually receive AutoCAD Map from the National Purchase, also served from Kansas City. Decisions regarding Temporary Users will be made based on the number of users and the relative timeframes involved.

Currently, NRCS Utah does not have a contract in place for Subscription Support services through Autodesk. ITS personnel indicate the current license manager will continue to function in its current state. During the previous subscription period, the 2008 upgrades were obtained and will be deployed to coincide with the expected July 2008 National License upgrade.

Support services are available through the National contract with APW-CTS Professional Services. The support for AutoCAD is to provide online tutorials and training, the majority of which is done through vBooks at http://www.nrcsknowledge.com. Personnel with questions that are not resolved through vBooks are encouraged to draw upon local and area expertise, ultimately being routed through the Area Engineer to Ken Dastrup, CAD Coordinator for Utah.

We are hopeful this process will minimize problems accessing AutoCAD licenses in the immediate future while the National Purchase is moving ahead with the acquisition of additional Civil 3D licenses. Eventually, NRCS UT will fully participate in the National Purchase.

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